

# Shourov Joarder

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## Education

Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology (BUET)

Bangladesh

B.Sc. in Electrical and Electronic Engineering

Feb 2020 – March 2025

Major: Communication and Signal Processing (CSP)

CGPA: 3.88/4.00 (2<sup>nd</sup> in CSP major)

**Relevant Courses:** Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning | Digital Image Processing I | Computer Programming | Linear Algebra | Probability and Statistics | Random Signals and Processes | Microprocessors and Embedded System | Digital Signal Processing | Control Systems | Digital Electronics

## Research Interests

Computer Vision | Multimodal LLM (VLMs) | Fairness and Safety of VLMs | Medical Imaging | Autonomous Vehicle

## Publications

1. **Shourov Joarder**, T. Talukder, K. Hasan, “MUSSE-Net: Residual-Aware Multi-Stage Unsupervised Sequential Deep Learning Framework for Ultrasound Strain Elastography,” Under Review at [IEEE TUFFC Journal](#).  
TLDR: Developed a multi-stage **unsupervised spatio-temporal** training framework for deep learning based ultrasound strain imaging. This work has been validated for open source simulation, **in vivo** and our own **clinical** datasets.
2. S. Hasan, **Shourov Joarder**, A. Nayem, H. Hasan, and S. A. Fattah, “Multilingual Voice-Controlled Smart Wheelchair with Advanced Features,” Published at [IEEE ECCE](#). (DOI: [10.1109/ECCE64574.2025.11013785](#))  
TLDR: Developed a full scale wheelchair integrated with multilingual voice-control, collision detection and avoidance.
3. A. Dhar, D. Sikder, A. Shovon, and **Shourov Joarder**, “Skin Cancer Semantic Segmentation,” Published at [IEEE ECCE](#). (DOI: [10.1109/ECCE64574.2025.11013785](#)).  
TLDR: Unet-based Stacked Hourglass model converts cartesian image to polar image which is then fed to a **TransUnet** model for estimating the semantic segmentation on skin cancer **ISIC** dataset.

## Research Experiences

Undergraduate Thesis Student, EEE, BUET

Mar 2024 - Mar 2025

Supervisor : [Dr. Kamrul Hasan](#)

*Multi-Stage Unsupervised Sequential Deep Learning Method for Ultrasound Strain Elastography*

A medical imaging technique that determines the strain field by tracking displacements between pre- and post-compressed ultrasound RF frames to detect tumors/lesions in the examined tissue by their strain.

- Developed a novel unsupervised sequential network consisting of a novel **Contextual-Aware Feature Encoder**, a novel **TriCrossAttention**, a **Cross-Attentive Sequential Decoder**, and proposed a novel multi-stage framework MUSSE-Net for Displacement Field and Strain Estimation in Strain Elastography, and implemented this in Pytorch.
- The proposed network beats state-of-the-art unsupervised [ReUSENet](#), [USENet](#)(implemented) in terms of SNR, CNR, NRMSE metrics, and also improves the strain image quality by enhancing the lesion SNR.

## Ongoing Researches

### • Safety in Generative VLMs

Aug 2025 - Present

This is an ongoing research on how to address offensive elements in generated images from state-of-the-art models by leveraging **Knowledge Localization in diffusion model**.

### • Debiasing and Explainability of VLM

July 2025 - Present

Mitigating demographic bias in VLM with explainability at inference time. Most debiasing methods use SFT, but our goal is to develop an unsupervised **Test-Time debiasing** method to overcome the challenges of scarcity of data.

## Work Experience

Adjunct Lecturer, Dept. of CSE, [BRAC University](#).

June 2025 - Present

Conducting multiple theory and lab courses.

Machine Learning Engineer, [ACI Ltd.](#)

Apr 2025 - Present

Ongoing Projects

- **Medical-ExpertVLM** with explainability and personalized assistance for doctors and medical students.

- Developing a robust OCR and annotation tool using state-of-the art **Qwen2.5VL-VLM** to extract medicine details and bank cheque details from images of a handwritten prescription and cheques.
- Working on a **Central Agentic AI Hub** for managing multiple tasks of the HR department.

## Competitions

- **1<sup>st</sup>** Runner-Up of Undergraduate Project Idea Contest at 25<sup>th</sup> ICCIT 2022, Bangladesh. [[Certificate](#)]
- **57<sup>th</sup>** in the public leaderboard of [DL Sprint](#) - BUET CSE Fest 2024, Bengali AI Math Olympiad a LLM based competition.
- **Best Notebook Award** at the [DL Sprint](#) - BUET CSE Fest 2022, Bengali ASR Competition.

## Honors and Awards

- University Merit Scholarship (3 times) 2020, 2021, 2023
- University Dean's List Scholarship (2 times) 2021, 2022
- University Stipend (2 times) 2021, 2022

## Selected Projects

### Coding Google's PaliGemma VLM from Scratch [Github](#)

Implemented Google's opensource **PaliGemma** Vision Language Model (VLM) from scratch. Implemented the **SigLip** vision encoder, **KV-cache** and the **GemmaLM** with the multimodal projector. This project was inspired by Umair Jamil's paligemma open-source project.

### Autonomous Inventory Robot [Github](#)

Developed an autonomous robotic system capable of executing real-time voice commands to identify, retrieve, and transport specified objects. The system integrates **Google Speech API** based speech recognition, **YOLOv5-s** for real-time object detection with robotic arm manipulation for precise object grasping with a **Rasphberry-pi** as the processor. Following successful acquisition, the object is returned to a predefined base location using a Line Following Robot (**LFR**) navigation system.

### Deep-Learning-based-Breast-Cancer-Classification-Using-VGGIN [Github](#)

Trained the **VGGIN** model—a custom deep learning architecture that integrates **VGG-19** with the **Inception** module, on the BreakHis histopathology dataset. Achieved a test accuracy of 99.628%, demonstrating the model's effectiveness in classifying breast cancer subtypes from histopathological images.

### Voice Controlled Wheelchair for Disabled Patients [Github](#)

Developed a full scale voice-controlled wheelchair for physically impaired people. **GMM**-based trained **VoiceRecognitionV3** module takes voice commands from the patients in any language and in any accent and moves accordingly. In addition, the wheelchair collision avoidance and emergency help feature.[[Video](#)].

### Machine Learning Based Electrical-Fault-Classification-with-GAF-image [Github](#)

ML algorithms like **Decision Tree Classifier**, **Random Forest** and **CNN** based deep learning method with **GAF** transformed images were used to classify 5 different types of electrical fault (eg. *LL, LLL, LG, LLG and No-fault*) from the BUS voltage and current data.

### Extracting Audio from Muted Video [Github](#)

The main goal of this project was to extract the audio signal from a muted video using signal processing methods in MATLAB. The local and global pixel motions were captured using **Complex Steerable Pyramid** decomposition. This was originally a project by Abe Davis, MIT [[Visual Microphone](#)].

## Skills

<b>ML, DL Framework</b>	PyTorch, TensorFlow, Transformers, vLLM, LangChain
<b>Programming</b>	Python, MATLAB, C/C++, Linux, Verilog, Assembly, LaTeX, Git
<b>Simulations and Tools</b>	Raspberry Pi, Arduino, Proteus, Pspice, Quartus, Keil
<b>Frontend Backend</b>	FastAPI, Flask, Gradio, Android Studio, Kotlin (Basic).

## Standardized Test Scores

TOEFL     102, [Reading (26), Listening (26), Speaking (24), Writing (26)]

## Extra Curriculum

<b>President</b> , BUET Photographic Society	<i>Aug 2024 - Mar 2025</i>
<b>President</b> , BADHAN-(Ahsanullah Hall Unit, BUET)	<i>Aug 2024 - Mar 2025</i>